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**From:** Linda Verhulst <lverhulst@smsd.gs>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 06, 2015 8:11 AM  
**To:** Schweizer, Jonathan  
**Subject:** RE: Pretreatment Local Limits Study -- Just a Few More Points

Please see the responses below. If you have additional questions feel free to call my direct line at (217) 93-7358.

1. In Table 10 there are 3 columns showing technology-based effluent limits (TBEL's) based on the Federal effluent limit guidelines. Please understand that any IU's whose TBEL's are more stringent than the local limits must comply with the more stringent TBEL's.

We understand this and the TBEL's that correspond to the industries category will be used in their Pretreatment Permits along with the additional pollutants of concern that we have added to the program.

2. Please note that the "Local Limits" ( $C_{ind}$ ) column is mis-aligned so that all numbers are 1 row lower than they should be. Please correct this.

?? I am not sure what you are referring to here. I will call you to clarify this question.

3. Please define the abbreviation SpR, which is used in your notes on the Spreadsheet between Tables 1 and 10.

SpR is an abbreviation for Spring Creek Raw which is the influent to our Spring Creek Plant.

4. Please note that due to the fact that some limits are being increased (I.e., less stringent) once the limits are tentatively approved, they will need to be "public noticed" for 30 days in the local newspaper.

Are there guidelines you can send me on this process? We usually publish rate and fine changes in the paper, but I want to make sure we are doing this correctly.

Another question: As part of the Local Limits reevaluation process, we will be adding pollutants of concern, updating limits, and adding a surcharge program. We plan to modify our current Pretreatment Ordinance to add all the additional requirements. I believe our modified Ordinance will require EPA approval. Will you be the person issuing this approval when the Ordinance is completed? I assume this process must be completed prior to public notice?

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**Sent:** Tuesday, November 03, 2015 3:15 PM  
**To:** Linda Verhulst  
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Dear Ms. Verhulst,

We have reviewed the materials you sent us on September 9, 2015 in response to our comments and questions of August 26<sup>th</sup>. We have a few more items that need to be cleared up. These pertain to the SMSD Local Limits Excel Spreadsheet:

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Please email me with responses or call @ (312) 886-0211 if you would like to discuss these or the Pretreatment program in general. Thank you.

Jonathan Schweizer, Staff Environmental Engineer, NPDES Programs Branch, Water Division, USEPA Region 5, Chicago